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**By ECF**

Hon. Eric L. Komitee  
United States District Judge  
U.S. Courthouse  
225 Cadman Plaza East  
Brooklyn, NY 11201

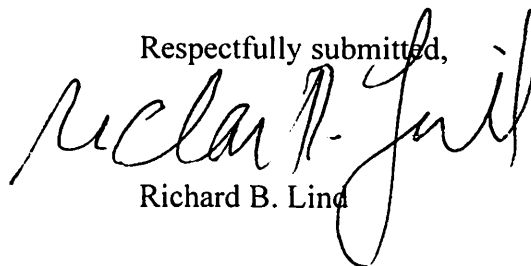
Re: United States v. Richard A. Barker  
20 CR 45 (EK)

Dear Judge Komitee:

Last week, I was appointed as the CJA attorney for Defendant Barker in the above-captioned matter. This Court has fixed April 6, 2020 as the date for an initial conference in this case. In light of the coronavirus pandemic, I am writing to request either a two-week or three-week extension of time for the conference or permission for counsel and Mr. Barker to conduct the conference by telephone on April 6, 2020. Although the prosecutors had no objection to my proposal, the latter alternative was proposed by the government probably because they would have to travel from Washington, DC to the Court.

Thank you for the Court's consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard B. Lind", is written over the typed name. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Richard B. Lind

cc: All Counsel (by ECF)